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1. AT AFTERNOON SESSION MAR 7, CHAIRMAN ANNOUNCED COMPOSITION OF WORKING GROUP (WG) TO EXAMIN CHILEAN SITUATION AS FOLLOWS: ALLANA, CHAIRMAN (PAKISTAN); BENITES (ECUADOR), DIEYE (SENEGAL); ERMACORA (AUSTRIA;) AND KAMARA (SIERRA LEONE).

2. SOVIET DEL (ZORIN) IMMEDIATELY TOOK THE FLOOR TO SAY THAT CONSENSUS RESOLUTION ON CHILE REPRESENTD RESULT OF JOINT EFFORTS OF ALL REGIONAL GROUPS, THAT UN PRACTICE WAS THAT WORKING GROUP OF FIVE MUST NECESSARILY INCLUDE ALL REGIONAL GROUPS, AND THEREFORE, THAT WG ON CHIL SHOULD INCLUDE SOCIALIST STATE. ZORIN SAID THAT THIS WAS SOVIET UNDERSTANDING IN JOINGING CONSENSUS, THAT TEXT OF RESOLUTION DID NOT PROVIDE FOR DEVIATION FROM REGIONAL REPRESENTATION, NOR WAS THIS SPECIFICALLY LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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RAISED IN FLOOR DISCUSSION. HE SAID OMMISSION OF SOCIALIST

COUNTRIES FROM THIS WG WAS "UNLAWFUL" AND COULD LEAD TO "SERIOUS NEGATIVE CONSEQUENCES". HE CONTINUED THAT COMPOSITION OF WG DESTRUCTIVE OF EQUAL COLLABORATION AMONG STATES WHICH IS BASIC TO ALL UN OPEATIONS AND THAT "RESPONSIBILITY" FOR EXCLUDING SOCIALIST COUNTRIES IN THIS INSTANCE MUST BE BORNE BY "THOSE WHO SELECTED AND WILL PARTICIPATE IN WORKING GROUP".

3. ZORIN INSISTED THAT HIS STATEMENT ON CHILEAN WG BE INCLUDED IN REPORT OF HRC TO ECOSOC (WHERE WE ASSUME HE WILL RESUME EFFORT TO TORPEDO WG) AND ALSO REQUESTED THT IT BE CIRCULATED AS HRC DOCUMENT. CHAIRMAN AGREED TO DO SO.

4. COMMENT: USDEL WAS INFORMED BY AMB. SANSON ROMAN (NICARAGUE) THAT HIS APPOINTMENT ON WG WAS OBJECTED TO BY USSR AND THAT CHAIRMAN ALLANA DECIDED TO SUBSTITUTE PROFESSOR ERMANCORA (AUSTRIA). USDEL CANNOT BE VERY INFORMATIVE ABOUT QUALITIES OF TWO AFRICAN MEMBERS FROM SENEGAL AND SIERRA LEONE. MR DIEYE (SENEGAL) HAS BEEN SERVING AS THE ALTERNATE REP OF SENEGAL ON THE HRC. HE IS AN ARTICULATE SPOKESMAN AND AS HAS ALREADY BEE REPORTED, WAS THE FOCAL POINT FOR THE NEGITIATIONS ON THE CONSENSUS RESOLUTION ON CHILE WHICH THE COMMISSION FINALLY ADOPTED. HE IS A TRAINED LAWYER AND WE UNDERSTAND HOLDS A JUDICIAL PROSITION IN SENEGAL. THE WG MEMBER FROM SIERRA LEONE IS MRS. M.J.T. KAMARA. OF THE FIVE MEMBERS, USDEL WOULD GUESS THAT SHE WILL PROVE TO BE THE LEAST EFFECTIVE. SHE HAS BEEN RE REPRESENTATIVE OF SIERRA LEONE FOR TH PAST TWO YEARS ON THE HRC. SHE PLAYS ONLY A MODEST PART IN TH DEBATES AND WILL PROBABLY BE INCLINED TO FOLLOW THE LEAD OF HER COLLEAGUE FROM SENEGAL. DALE

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